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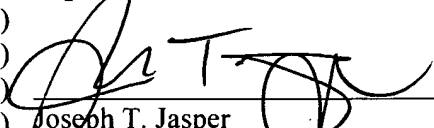
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HOUSING**

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In response to the Office action dated August 21, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

The Status of the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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